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The Government of Uganda will not send a representative to the Global Nuclear Energy Partnership (GNEP) Meeting in Beijing. The U.S. Mission provided reftel non-paper on the proposed changes to the name and inclusivness of GNEP to Ministry of Foreign Affairs Multilateral Affairs Officer Issac Sebulime on October 15, and to the Ministry of Energy's Nuclear Energy Unit Chief Michael Kiza on October 19. In a subsequent communication, Mr. Kiza thanked Econoff for the information and said that he had briefed Energy Minister Hillary Onek on the proposed GNEP changes. Mr. Kiza said scheduling conflicts would prevent Minister Onek from attending the GNEP Executive Committee Meeting in Beijing and that no alternate GOU representative would attend. LANIER